With regard to the use of VHF frequencies for paging, I would support an elimination of paging on certain Shared or Mutual Aid frequencies. This would include but not be limited to 155.475, 155.340, 155.325 (those frequencies that should be monitored by public safety, medical).

The elimination of all paging on VHF channels would be a major hardship for the smaller communities of Minnesota. The controlling of mutual aid channels would help interoperability.

As far as Grandfathering of frequencies, the new technology in the pagers allows the programming of the frequency and grandfathering should not be allowed.

In closing I agree with the elimination of paging on certain frequencies, but not overall.